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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Thos. N. Brumby, Dewey's flag lieutenant at Manila, died Sunday.—— Gen. Roberts has been appointed to the chief command of the British forces in South Africa.—— Panic in the New York stock market; the result of severe stringency in the money markets.—— British government will send more troops to South Africa; when the whole force arrives Gen. Roberts will have an army of 145,000 men.—— The House passed the Currency bill by a vote of 190 to 150; eleven Democrats voted for the bill.—— Two resolutions were introduced in the Senate in opposition to retention of the Philippines by the United States. —— The suspension of the firm of Henry Allen & Co., bankers, New York, is announced.—— Jas. Squire & Co., Boston, Mass., have made an assignment.—— The Charles A. Vogeler Co., druggists, Baltimore, have made an assignment.—— Bishop H. M. Turner was prostrated by a stroke of paralysis at Savannah, Ga. — Produce Exchange Trust Company, of New York, closed its doors. —The New York markets: money on call to-day was stringent, ranging from 6 to 125 per cent, last loan at 40; cotton quiet, middling uplands 7 1-16c; flour was firmer and held higher, closing firm; wheat—spot No. 2 red 76c; corn—spot firm No. 24½c; oats—spot firm No. 2, 29½c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1.45; spirits turpentine firm at 47c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 17.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 47 degrees; 8 P. M., 57 degrees; maximum, 69 degrees; minimum, 47 degrees; mean, 58 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .38.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 5.4 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 17.—For North Carolina: Showers; Wednesday fair; colder in western and central portions; light to fresh easterly winds becoming westerly.

Port Almanac --Dec. 19.

Sun Rises	7.10 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 45 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 35 M.
High Water at Southport	9.26 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	12.56 P. M.

There are some pretty tough names in the Boer country, and some tough fighters too.

It is said that Hanna and Platt are for Root for McKinley's running mate. That settles it.

Mrs. Lease has gone into the life-insurance business in New York. This will continue to give occupation to her jaws.

The New York *World* remarks that "fat is fatal to achievement." What kind of achievement? How about the soapfat man?

An Oregon girl set a trap for a bear and caught a man. Now there are more bear traps in that section than you could shake a stick at.

Gen. White blamed the American mules for his disaster, Gatacre blamed the policeman guide, but none of them seem to blame the Boers.

A Colorado man was knocked thirty feet by a locomotive and landed O. K. The locomotive had not been thoroughly investigated at last accounts.

The date of the opening of the Paris Exposition has been set for April 14th. In the meantime the hash house keepers are planning to go through their customers.

On July 1st, 1898, this country had 186,396 miles of railway. Including the double tracks, side tracks and terminal facilities the total would be 250,000 miles.

Frequent droughts, foul streams, etc., are giving artesian wells a boost. This looks like running the thing into the ground, but the artesian well, when bored deep enough, is all right.

The Paris hotel keepers are laying for the Exposition visitors. It is said they have formed a combine and will charge their patrons $5 a day for house room and let them board themselves.

It is said that Duncan N. Hood, a graduate of West Point, and a son of Gen. Hood of the Confederate army, is serving with the Boer army in South Africa. He served in the Cuban army and just before the war broke ont, went to South Africa and joined the Boers.

Spend your Cash this week with The C. W. Polvogt Co. They have useful Xmas presents. †

Visit The C. W. Polvogt Co.'s store when down town. Store open evenings. †

LOCAL DOTS.

— Sheriff MacRae yesterday began the levying process in the collection of personal property tax.

— Policeman Skipper early yesterday morning killed a mad dog at the corner of Ninth and Chesnut streets.

— A false alarm of fire was turned in at 11.17 o'clock last night from box 52, corner of Seventh and Queen streets.

—The Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet at 11 o'clock this morning at the W. L. I. armory.

— To the King Grocery Company the STAR is under obligations for a handsome 1900 calendar, advertising the celebrated "Runford Baking Powder."

— Justice McGowan yesterday had two submission cases—Peter Burns and John W. Williams, colored, for disorderly conduct. They paid the costs,

— A Washington, D. C., dispatch to the Baltimore *Sun* says the revenue cutter *Algonquin* has been ordered to Wilmington, N. C., "for winter duty cruising."

— License was yesterday issued for the marriage of Miss Eliza Hill, of Snead's Ferry, Onslow county to Mr. J. W. Williams, of the same place.

— Tar was quoted yesterday on the local market firm at $1.25 per barrel, which is a decline of five cents per barrel over previous quotations.

— S. H. McRae, Esq., of Fayetteville, referee in bankruptcy, arrived in the city last night to sit in the Wescott bankruptcy case from Southport. The meeting of creditors will take place here to-day.

— An invitation has been received in this city from Paris announcing the marriage of Monsieur Henri Pateau, well known in Wilmington as the "French wine-maker," to Mademoiselle Lucie Varlet, of Paris.

— The uniforms for Col. Walker Taylor's Boys' Brigade did not arrive yesterday. The Brigade held its regular meetihg last night, and will be called together some other night when the uniforms get here.

— Capt. Charles Wessell yesterday made application for an official number for his new steam tug *Hmma* to replace the *Anna*, which was burned last Spring. She is 58 feet long, 14 feet wide and 4½ feet deep.

— The schooner *Abbie G Cole*, arrived from New York Sunday at noon with a cargo of salt for Messrs. Hall & Pearsall. She is consigned to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., and will probably load with lumber.

— Four cases in which the not uncommon charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct was preferred, were tried in the municipal court yesterday, the defendant in each instance being taxed up with the costs and $5 fine.

— Messrs. Phillips & Son, of New York, yesterday wired their representative, Mr. J. W. Barnes, Jr., that they had sold express shipments of lettuce for his account at $4.25 per barrel. The prices are looking upward.

— The Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will meet at 11 o'clock this morning. All those who wish to connect themselves with this branch of Christian work are invited to join at this meeting, and those who have already become members are earnestly requested to be present.

— The schooner *J. B. Holden*, 347 tons, Capt. Veazie, from Fernandina to New York, and the schooner *Annie C. Grace*, 454 tons, Capt. Smith, from Charleston to New York, anchored off the bar at 8 P. M. Sunday on account of head winds. They proceeded on their voyages yesterday morning.

— Capt. John H. Hanby, chairman of the Public Building Committee of the Board of Aldermen, yesterday got a force of painters to work on Engine House No. 1, corner of Fourth and Princess streets. The other fire department houses will be taken up in their order and handsomely painted.

— County Attorney W. B. McKoy has prepared a statement for the commissioners, to be presented to the Chamber of Commerce at its meeting Thursday, giving a detailed account of the cost of the magistrates' system, which they asked for several weeks ago, with a view to abolishing the same and substituting in its stead a recorder's court.

— Cards have been mailed to friends announcing the marriage of Miss Mittie Anthony, the accomplished daughter of Mrs. Julia Anthony, corner of Fourth and Bladen streets, to Mr. James Robert Windley, one of the popular clerks in the Wilmington postoffice. The ceremony will be performed on Wednesday, December 27th, at 9 o'clock A. M.

— Deputy Sheriff George Millis last night arrested a negro named Mills McNeill for an assault Saturday upon W. H. Dangerfield, also colored, and a resident of Kidder's Hill. McNeill attacked Dangerfield with an axe and cut his arm almost entirely off. He was brought before Justice Bornemann and sent to jail in default of $100 bond for his appearance for trial this morning at 10 o'clock.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. H. Taylor, Agent—Coal.
Owen F. Love & Co.—At cost.
S. & B. Solomon.—True economy.
Mercer & Evans—Douglass shoes.
Sneed-Fuller Co.—Open every even'g

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Rent—Furnished rooms.
Preston Cumming—Xmas presents.

CLOSED HIS PASTORATE.

The Rev. A. P. Tyer Preached His Farewell Sermon On Sunday—Committee Appointed to Draft Resolutions.

The Rev. A. P. Tyer, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, preached the closing sermon of his pastorate Sunday morning to a large and appreciative congregation. He delivered a very earnest and impressive discourse on the text, "I beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you."—*First Thes. V--12, 13.* The importance of a congregation's knowing their pastor and a more intimate intercourse between pastor and people was the burden of his sermon. Mr. Tyer spoke with apparent seriousness and the congregation was deeply affected. He announced that he would probably leave to-morrow for Durham where he will succeed the Rev. J. N. Cole as pastor of Main Street M. E. Church, and that the Rev. Mr. Cole who is to succeed him is expected here to morrow.

The announcement was also made that there will be no prayer meeting service to-morrow night but that the Junior Branch of the Epworth League will give an entertainment in the lecture room Thursday night. No admittance will be charged but a collection will be taken for the objects of the league.

Mr. Tyer has been pastor of Grace Church two years, and he has been an able, faithful pastor. His sermons have been characterized by originality and forcefulness, and his departure will be deeply regretted by the community as well as his congregation, by whom he is greatly beloved.

At the meeting of the Sunday school on Sunday afternoon Dr. W. C. Galloway spoke feelingly of the severance of the relations between the pastor and the Sunday school, and moved that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the love borne him and regret that he is to leave for another field. Mr. J. H. Davis, superintendent of the school, seconded the motion with remarks of affection for Mr. Tyer and expressions of appreciation of his work as pastor. The motion was unanimously adopted, and the committee appointed consists of Dr. Galloway, Superintendent Davis, Mrs. W. H. Shaw, Mrs. J. F. Garrell and Mrs. W. M. Hankins.

The STAR is requested to state that the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Tyer are invited to a reception to be given this evening from 7.30 to 11 o'clock, at the parsonage, on Second and Walnut streets, by the ladies of Grace M. E. Church.

Heavy Express Shipments.

With the advent of Christmas week Southern Express agents, clerks and the numerous other employes of this great system find, themselves face to face with the heaviest week's work of the year. The custom of gift giving during the Yule tide period is as old as the holiday itself and no transportation company comes in for a greater share of increased business than does the express system. Extra cars are now in service on all trains from Wilmington and Capt. Williams, the genial local agent here, has his office in trim for the week's business. A little consideration on the part of the public, he says, would greatly relieve the over-worked express people and at the same time ensure for themselves a more prompt and efficient service. For instance, all packages should be marked before they are sent to the office and in no event should the address be attached by a tag, which during the crush is almost sure to be torn off and the package probably lost. Blank receipts may be secured from the drivers of the wagons and should be filled out beforehand so as to avoid delay. There are many little things, which if considered by the public, would greatly lessen the perplexities of agents, messengers and others during this period.

A Mammoth Factory.

Messrs. Mercer & Evans advertise this morning new arrivals of the famous Douglas, Dutenhofer and Jenness Miller shoes, of which they have exclusive sale in Wilmington. Of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., of Brockton, Mass., the New York *Boot and Shoes Weekly* of the current week says that another wing of 100x40 feet is to be added to the already well equipped and enormous factory, in addition to the four-story building now under construction. All the additions will be completed and in operation by December 26th. The Douglas people say that their drummers have increased sales 30 per cent., and that when the factory starts up the day after Christmas it will run on an output of 400 dozen pairs per day, with a weekly pay-roll of $20,000. When completed the Douglas factory will have 106,000 square feet of floor space.

Masonic Election.

Concord Chapter No 1., R. A. M., at its regular meeting last night elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

High Priest—H. G. Smallbones.
King—E. O. Toomer.
Scribe—J. E. Matthews.
Capt. of Host—Eric Norden.
Treasurer—J. C. Munds.
Secretary—W. A. Martin.
Building Committee—H. H. Munson.

Toys, Games, Dolls, Blocks, Pictures, are among the holiday goods sold by The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Store open evenings—The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Cocoanuts 5c, Fresh Grated Cocoanut 10c per quart. Palace Bakery. †

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. Hay Watson Smith Declines the Pastorate—Will Go to Little Rock.

A meeting of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church which was called for Sunday morning after the service was not held. The object stated was to call as Dr. Hoge's successor, Rev. Hay Watson Smith, who has been ably supplying the church since September, but Mr. Smith, upon concluding the services, anticipated the meeting by stating that owing to his health he did not feel that he would be justified in assuming the pastorate of such a large church. He made this announcement to save the trouble of holding the proposed congregational meeting.

The congregation was greatly disappointed at Mr. Smith's decision in the matter. Since he has been preaching for the congregation he has greatly impressed the church by the depth of his sermons and his ability as a preacher, and the expression of regret that he cannot accept is general.

Mr. Smith expects to go to Little Rock, Ark., in January. He will preach for the congregation two more Sundays before he goes.

Billy Goat with Rabies.

A "William" goat with the rabies was running amuck in the streets in the vicinity of Second and Dawson early yesterday morning, and before residents in that vicinity had time to "catch on" to the impending danger likely to result from a combination of the rabies and a "Billy" and secure themselves behind barred doors, he is reported to have knocked over a colored woman, torn down several panels of fence and wrought other damage of more or less consequence. A telephone message to the City Hall brought Hall Officer Woebse and Policeman George A. Smith, who after diagnosing the case at long range, finally induced the animal to betake himself to a cow pen, where he was securely nailed in. The bellicose animal is the property of Mr. Jim Benson, a carpenter, living in that vicinity, and it is said that the goat displayed every symptom of hydrophobia. Mr. Benson will have him killed.

Tennis Club Organized.

The Wilmington Tennis Club met last evening at the residence of Capt. A. L. DeRosset, No. 113 South Second street. There was a good attendance of members and the meeting was an enthusiastic one. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President—Maj. E. W. VanC. Lucas.
Vice President—Dr. C. P. Bolles.
Business M'g'r—Dr. R. E. Zachary.
Treasurer—Mr. G. W. Brunson.
Secretary—Miss Tallulah DeRosset.

Miss Louise DeRosset, Miss Mary Lilly McKoy, Mr. E. A. Metts, Mr. H. G. Smallbones, Jr., and Mr. Henry McFarland were appointed a committee to draft suitable by-laws and a constitution. It was decided to use the court at the City Hospital until other arrangements can be made.

Laid to Rest.

The funeral of Miss Maria C. Latta took place Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church. The services were impressively conducted by the Rev. Hay Watson Smith, and there was a large attendance of sorrowing friends. The remains were borne to Oakdale cemetery, and after the interment the grave was overlaid with beautiful floral tributes. The pall bearers were as follows: Honorary, Col. Walker Taylor and Mr. W. M. Cumming; active, Messrs. R. W. Hicks, Jno. R. Turrentine, Jr., W. E. Perdew, W. H. Howell, A. T. Walsh and Col. Roger Moore.

New Year's Reception.

There was a meeting last night in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. of the Social Committee of the Association and plans were arranged for a grand reception to members and their friends, to be given New Year's night. It is proposed to make the affair a novel and enjoyable one, participated in by both young men and young ladies and members of the Association of about the age of 16 and upwards. The decorations will be arranged by the Woman's Auxiliary and from thirty to forty young ladies and young men will comprise the reception committee. Music will be a feature of the evening.

Death of Mr. Henry C. Moore.

Capt. H. O. McArthur returned last night from Kenansville, where he went to attend the funeral of Mrs. McArthur's father, Mr. Henry C. Moore, who died at that place Saturday night. The remains were laid away yesterday morning at the family burying ground near Warsaw.

Mr. Moore was 64 years of age and was a prominent citizen of Duplin county. He served a number of years as register of deeds.

Will Not Down.

The scavenger question which seems to be a knotty problem for the Board of Health and the Board of Aldermen, brings the people of Wilmington face to face with the immediate necessity of a system of sewerage. The sewerage question will not down. It bobs up constantly.

Neckwear, Umbrellas and other useful Xmas presents are shown by The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Mixed Nuts 10c per pound, Cocoanuts 5c. Fresh Ground Cocoanut 10c per quart. Palace Bakery. †

Useful Xmas presents are shown at The C. W. Polvogt Co. Kid Gloves, Lace Ties, Handkerchiefs and Neckwear. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. W. B. Fort, of Pikeville, arrived in the city last night.

— Mr. N. H. Carter, of Wallace, called on the jobbers yesterday.

— Mr. Isaac Hogeland, of Verona, was on our streets yesterday.

— Mr. R. Stewart, of Pembroke, was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mr. Joe Sohloss, of New York, was among last night's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. Hugh MacRae returned Sunday from a business trip to New York.

— Mr. Quince Moore returned home yesterday evening from Detroit, Mich.

— Mr. George Miller, of Faison, was among the business callers here yesterday.

— Mr. W. E. Thigpen, of Whiteville, made business calls in the city yesterday.

— Mr. H. B. Bailey, representing R. W. Hicks, is in the city from a business trip.

— Mrs. M. Merritt, after a visit to relatives at Wallace, came home last night.

— Messrs. W. P. Gore and M. Russ, of Shallotte, came over to the city yesterday.

— Wade Wishart, Esq., and wife, of Whiteville, are in the city, the guests of friends.

— Mrs. H. F. Wilder, of Charleston, is the city on a visit to her mother, Mrs. R. J. Bunting.

— Mr. Frank Sessoms, of Long View, came down yesterday to make Christmas purchases.

— Mr. Jas. W. Barnes, Sr., has returned from a business trip through the North and West.

— Mr. T. M. Turrentine arrived yesterday from New York to spend Christmas at home.

— Judge George H. Locey came home yesterday from a business trip to Birmingham, Ala.

— Mr. Stephen Jewett and bride returned Sunday evening from their Western bridal tour.

— Mr. A. R. Hilburn, of Viola, Pender county, was a welcome caller at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. J. J. Eakins, of Atkinson, Pender county, was a welcome visitor at the STAR office last evening.

— Mr. O. L. Clark, Mrs. Carrie Clark and Mr. J. H. Carter, of Clarkton, visited the city yesterday.

— Mr. A. J. Johnson, of Taylor's Bridge, Sampson county, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Messrs. M. Rathjen, Jr., and B. F. Rathjen are at home from Oak Ridge Institute to spend the holidays.

—Mr. W. R. Guion, a well known Boston travelling man, is at The Orton.

— Mr. C. P. Lockey, after spending a week in the city with relatives and friends, left last night on the A. C. L. train.

— Governor D. L. Russell came down from Raleigh on Sunday and went over to his plantation in Brunswick county.

— Miss Eleanor Lee Wallace, of Kenansville, arrived here last night on a visit to the family of Capt. H. O. McArthur.

— The STAR regrets to note that J. O. Carr, Esq., was taken quite sick at the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday night. He was some better yesterday.

— Mr. W. A. Brooks, representing the produce commission house of John H. Newton, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday to look out for consignments to his house.

— Mr. J. C. Stanley, of Marlville, came down to the city yesterday and will go down to Southport this morning with a party of friends to take a duck hunt at Thompson's pond.

— The STAR had a very pleasant visit yesterday from its staunch friend Rev. F. A. Bishop, Presiding Elder of the Washington district. His new home will probably be at Rocky Mount.

— Mr. E. C. McEachern has returned from Baltimore, where during the past term he has been a student in the medical department of the University of Maryland.

— Dr. E. Porter was here yesterday, his first visit since the recent accident that completely disabled him for a time. He has almost recovered from his injuries, much to the gratification of his numerous friends.

— Among the holiday shoppers who came down to the city on the steamer *Driver* Sunday night were Messrs. J. D. Pigford, of Westbrook, D. C. Thompson, of Dawson's Landing, R. H. Allen, of Kelly's Cove and C. W. Lyon, of Lyon's Landing.

— Capt. A. L. DeRosset returned Sunday from New York where he has been under treatment at the Pasteur Institute for a wound inflicted by a supposed rabid dog. His friends are rejoiced to see him exceedingly cheerful and fearful of no serious consequences from the wound after a successful course of treatment at this famous institution.

— Deputy Collector C. M. Babbitt is in the city on one of his periodical professional visits. His many friends here were yesterday extending condolences on the death of his daughter, who was one of the students at the State Normal College who fell a victim to the epidemic of typhoid fever which invaded that institution several weeks ago.

THE SCAVENGER QUESTION.

The Board of Health Recommends to the Aldermen That the City Do the Work.

The Board of Health held a special meeting yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to open proposals for doing scavenger work in the various districts in the city, according to the plan which the Board of Health inaugurated in August last.

Present at the meeting were Mayor A. M. Waddell, chairman, Dr. W. D. McMillan, the secretary, Dr. F. H. Russell and Capt. W. R. Kenan. Chairman Waddell presided.

Under the plan referred to, the city is divided into eight scavenger districts with one responsible scavenger in each district. At the meeting yesterday afternoon the board agreed that the system was unsatisfactory. Proposals for doing the work in the districts were opened, but on motion of Capt. W. R. Kenan the board declined to act on the bids and referred the question to the Board of Aldermen with the recommendation that all scavenger work be done by the city.

The board then adjourned.

News from Atkinson.

Two marriages were solemnized near Atkinson, Pender county, last Sunday afternoon. At the residence of Mr. W. B. Eakins, of Moore's Creek, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, Miss Etta Moore was happily married to Mr. Robert Caison, and at the residence of the bride's parents at the same hour, Miss Effie Horrell was united in marriage to Mr. James Peterson, Justice J. F. Lewis officiating.

On December 10th, Mr. John Eakins, of Moore's Creek, celebrated his 79th birthday. There were present at the homestead his son, two daughters and a large number of grandchildren. It was a family reunion strictly speaking and the day was greatly enjoyed.

San Francisco Minstrels.

The San Francisco Minstrels performed at the Opera House last evening. In comparison with the previous attempts this season, the entertainment did not come up to the standard of genuine minstrelsy nor was there any feature that is particularly deserving of mention.

The chorus, solos and jokes were fair and the audience seemed to enjoy them; but there was a lack of "snap" and "ginger" which is such an indispensable ingredient to a genuine old time minstrel.

City Superintendents Association.

The Association of City Superintendents of Schools will meet at the Centennial School in Raleigh on Wednesday, December 28th, at 8 o'clock P. M. Superintendent Jno. J. Blair, of the Wilmington schools, is among the speakers on the programme. He will treat the subject "Architecture in its Relation to Civilization." The exercises will close with an address by Prof. M. C. S. Nobles. Superintendent E. P Mangum, of Wilson, is president of the Association.

I. O. O. F. Election.

Campbell Encampment No. 1, I. O. O. F., last night elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing term:

C. P—E. F. Johnson.
H. P—A. W. Allen.
S. W.—J. T. King.
J. W—W. B. Clark.
Scribe—W. H. Howell.
Treasurer—N. Jacobi.
Trustees—L. L. Boon, B. J. Jacobs and H. O. Craig.

These will be installed by D. D. G. P., L. L. Boon, at the next regular meeting of the camp.

Schooner Hazard Here.

The schooner *B. I. Hazard*, Capt. Blatchford, which has been a regular trader at this port for more than twenty years, and which has an enviable reputation among sailing vessels for fast time between Wilmington and New York, arrived yesterday morning at 9 o'clock from New York, having made the remarkable time of just sixty hours from port to port. She brought coal for Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., and is consigned to Messrs. George Harriss, Son & Co.

Violation of Internal Revenue Laws.

James M. Smith, a young white man who conducted a grocery and oyster parlor on Campbell street near Fourth street Market House, was yesterday morning arrested by United States authorities for alleged violation of the internal revenue laws in giving away beer drinks with oyster roasts. He was held by Commissioner Collier in the sum of $150 for his appearance for preliminary examination to day.

The Marshall Case.

Private advices from Raleigh yesterday brought the news that the case of the United States vs. A. J. Marshall, Esq., for counterfeiting, which was postponed on account of sickness in the family of defendant's counsel, had been set for a hearing on Thursday, January 4th. There were no developments in the case yesterday.

Royal Arcanum.

Regent J. J. Hopkins, of Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231, Royal Arcanum, has paid over to the family of the late lamented George Harriss $3,000, for which amount the deceased was insured in this order.

Extra help employed at The C. W. Polvogt Co., to wait on the holiday shoppers. Polite attention. †

Store open evenings—The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Doll Carriages, Tea Sets, sold by Polvogt Co. †

Men's and Boys' Overcoats!

Ours Are the Best Fitting, Most Graceful Garments Ever Offered, Ready to Wear.

They have the new, wide sloping shoulders, straight hanging skirts, and as the length of Overcoats this season is purely a matter of individual taste, we have

Cut Them Short, Medium and Long.

Our stock is a large one and contains all the NEW NOVELTIES. We stand behind them with a guarantee that insures satisfaction or your money back.

FISHBLATE CLOTHING COMPANY,

Masonic Temple Stores.

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Sweet Oranges.

All Kinds Nuts.

Very low Prices on Xmas Fruits, at

J. B. & J. C. KING.

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A New Pastor.

Rev. J. W. Potter, the new pastor of Market Street M. E. Church, preached his initial sermon as pastor to the congregation Sunday morning. There was a large attendance upon the service. At night Presiding Elder Bumpass held quarterly meeting.

Mormonism.

A large congregation heard Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, at the First Baptist Church, Sunday night, on "Mormonism, or the Romance of Superstition." His address was eloquent, logical and greatly enjoyed by those who heard it.

— Dr. R. J. Price and Geo. H. Howell, Esq., yesterday went down to Onslow county for a hunting trip.

— Messrs. J. A. King, Joseph Sidberry and S. Dexter, of Topsail Sound, were in the city on business yesterday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT. One of the most desirable stores in the city, now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company,

will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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Everything to be Sold

AT LOWEST PRICES. China, Glassware and Holiday Goods of every description to be sold at lowest figures from now on until everything is closed out. You can save money. Do not make any mistake in finding Watson's China Store, No. 11 Market street, between Front and Water, directly opposite Goodman's Dry Goods store. Look for the sign "WATSON'S CHINA EMPORIUM."

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HUMANITY DEMANDS THEM!

TRUE ECONOMY

—is displayed by men who wear stylish, perfect-fitting "Human-ic" Shoes.

They add the finishing touch that makes a man appear thoroughly well dressed. And being built on the natural lines of the feet, they retain their shape permanently, ensuring perfect comfort and extended durability.

To be had only of us in this city.

Price $4

S. & B. SOLOMON,

Shoe Department.

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Fresh shipments of W. L. Douglass SHOES for men and boys.

And they are growing more famous every day.

Also, for Ladies' and Misses' wear, the Duttenhofer and "Jenness Miller."

They are making new friends every day.

Get in the RUSH if you want a pair for Xmas or New Year's.

MERCER & EVANS.

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- - CIGARS. - -

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,

Representing Powell, Smith & Co. We are distributors for their

El Capitan General,	10c.
Union League Club, -	10c.
Cuban Blossom, - - - -	5c.
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No matter how fine or how cheap a dealer's trade may be, the above brands are not to be surpassed. Give the smokers a chance at them and they will sell rapidly. There are all kinds of goods, but the brands mentioned will whip the others to death. We are also dealers in all grades

TOBACCO

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,

PROVISIONS.

dec 10 tf

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Our Motto, NO FANCY PRICES, will Be strictly carried out. And is a Safe Guarantee to you that you are Buying right.

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nov 26 tf

Firecrackers and Penny Candy--

We known you remember the place to get the best Xmas Goods. But let us remind you that more Xmas Goods than usual will be sold this season, and we have bought to supply our customers—

Cocoanuts, Oranges, Apples, Mixed Nuts, Candies, Cakes, Firecrackers, Cigars, Cigarettes, Fancy Goods and Everything.

We get the best prices for your Turkeys and Eggs. Enough said Come along.

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24 North Water Street.

Steamer for Fayetteville Mondays and Thursdays. Passengers, freight and towage. For rates apply to T. D. LOVE, General Agent. dec 12 tf

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A Desirable Building Lot on Princess street.
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dec 6 tf

MYTHS OF GREECE AND ROME.

Six scenes. One hundred and ten participants. Under direction of Miss Cammie Lord.

OPERA HOUSE

December 20 and 21.

For the benefit of Catherine Kennedy Home. Tickets at Gerken's; 50 cents in every part of the house. Box sheet for sale of reserved seats open Tuesday morning. dec 10 5t

DOG LOST!

Lost, white female setter, with black ears rather below medium size. Had on black leather collar. A reasonable reward will be paid on delivery at STAR office, or to Walter Way at Orton House. dec 18 tf

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THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, $5.00 a year, $2.50 for six months, $1.25 for three months, 50 cents for one month to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY)—One square one day, $1.00; two days $1.75; three days, $2.50; four days, $3.00; five days $3.50; one week, $4.00; two weeks, $6.50; three weeks $8.50; one month, $10.00; two months, $17.00; three months, $24.00; six months, $40.00; twelve months, $80.00. Ten lines of solid Nonpariel type make one square.

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All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops, Picnics, Society meetings, Political Meetings, &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

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Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 19, 1899.

A BLESSING IN DISGUISE.

What appear sometimes to be afflictions to people turn out to be blessings, and it sometimes happens that these apparent afflictions are necessary to teach people what to do and how to do it. It is trials that put them on their resources and bring out what their is in them. If everything went well and smoothly the average man would plod along contentedly and progress would be very slow. The average man is of the go-easy disposition and it takes prodding to make him hustle. We are writing now about the farmer in particular, and how apparent afflictions may turn out to be blessings in disguise to him and to the country or section of country in which he lives.

In one section of Minnesota the farmers had for years been putting their main dependence upon wheat, which was their staple crop. Most of them were in debt and their debts grew larger instead of smaller. With crop failures and low prices when the crops didn't fail, their condition grew worse from year to year, and they saw no way to better it, for they made nothing on what they raised, and nobody wanted to buy farms on which nothing could be made. As an experiment some of them who had become desperate decided to abandon wheat growing, and try grass and milk and butter. They formed an association, sowed grass, gave their cows attention and established a creamery. They found a market for all the butter and milk they had to sell, they fed pigs on the buttermilk, and in a short time they pulled out of the mire and breathed easy. Their neighbors followed their example. The creamery became an object lesson and in a few years the creameries became numerous, the cows multiplied and improved in quality, and throughout a large section only wheat enough was grown to bread the people. Grass became king, the creamery a mint. The bankrupts became prosperous and land that couldn't be given away is now worth hundreds of dollars an acre. The apparent affliction of bad wheat crops and low prices was their blessing in disguise.

Some years ago a number of Canadian farmers went into the Kalamazoo district of Michigan, where they thought they could do well cultivating cranberries on the swampy lands. They planted, but frost or something else destroyed their crops, and nearly all of them, discouraged, went back to Canada. But one or two of them, who were not so easily demoralized, concluded they would try celery-growing, as the land seemed adapted to that. They ditched and drained, planted their crops, and when ready for market they found no trouble in selling all they could raise at prices that paid them well for all the labor done and expense they had incurred. Now there are great celery farms in that section and the celery grown there is shipped all over the country. Men have become rich growing it, and all who grow it are prosperous. The failure of the cranberry crop was an affliction which turned out to be a blessing. These are but two illustrations showing how adversity led the way to prosperity.

And so has the low price of cotton for some years, until the present, been a blessing in disguise not only to the farmers of the South but to the whole South, for it put the farmers to thinking about something else than cotton and to raising something else. It put them to planting other crops, wheat, corn, oats, grass, vegetables, fruits, &c., more than they had been doing for many years. It put them to raising more hogs and cattle, in other words it led up to diversified farming, which is the right road to agricultural prosperity, and thorough independence.

Many of them had doubts whether they could successfully raise wheat, and found to their surprise that they could grow better wheat than is grown in some of the wheat-growing sections of the West, and as cheaply if not more cheaply than it can be produced there. They found, too, that where they could grow wheat they could grow grass, and that they had more feed for cattle, and thus they profited in more ways than one. If wheat culture continues to increase for the next ten years as it has for the past ten, the South will before many years become an exporter of wheat and flour instead of an importer. As wheat growing becomes more general so will cattle-raising become more general, and so will the dairy and the creamery, for wheat growing and cattle-raising nearly always go together. Grass growing becomes a necessity in a wheat growing country, for grass is wheat's rester and the recuperator of the soil which had been weakened by feeding wheat. Thus cotton that did not pay, led to wheat and other crops and to cattle, which do pay and will pay better with the improved methods that experience will teach, and the apparent affliction prove a blessing.

But that's not all, for the low price of cotton was a potent factor in turning attention to the cotton mills, which now not only give the farmers a home market for 1,500,000 bales, but give a market for scores of things they never thought of growing, and which it would have been useless to have grown before. That the low-price affliction was a blessing in disguise, becomes every day more apparent throughout the South.

A FOOL PLAY.

When Messrs. Grosvenor, Dalzell and Dolliver put up that little job in the House of Representatives Saturday to make it appear that because no Democrat had offered a 16 to 1 amendment to the currency bill they had abandoned the silver issue, they doubtless thought they were doing a smart thing, but they were playing a fool game, all the same. There isn't a Democrat in the House that didn't know that if such an amendment had been offered it wouldn't receive serious consideration and would stand no more chance of being adopted than an amendment to repeal the Dingley tariff would. There are some Democrats in the House who do not set a very high value on time, and do a good deal of talking for buncombe, but when it comes to measures connected with the party policy these men are not permitted to go to the front and speak for the party.

When the Republicans played this game they were playing politics, too, in which they are much more concerned than they are in a currency bill. They thought they were making some political capital by calling the attention of the country to the fact that no 16 to 1 amendment had been offered and construing that as an evidence that the silver issue had been abandoned.

But that is their habit. They lug politics into everything, whether there be any politics in it or not, and claim credit for evey success achieved in peace or in war regardless of the part that Democrats may have taken in securing success. With them it is party first, other things next.

WALKING INTO TRAPS.

It is somewhat remarkable that in the reverses the British armies have met with in South Africa, the generals have confessed that they were trapped by the Boers. White was trapped when he made his first sortie from Ladysmith; Gatacre was trapped when he met with his defeat; Mathuen was trapped when he was confronted by unexpected numbers and had to retreat, and, last, Gen. Buller, the man who boasted that he would wind up the business in sixty days, and eat his Christmas dinner in Pretoria, was trapped, and lost more men than any of the others.

The British soldiers have shown their fighting qualities, but their commanders have shown an amazing talent for sending them into traps, where they are suddenly confronted, not by rude, naked savages, but by sturdy men of Spartan pluck, who are in every way their equals, and as deadly shots, their superiors.

It is an easy thing in that country with its broken, rugged surface, and the great boulders which nature has strewn over the earth, to fall into traps and to be suddenly confronted by large bodies of men hidden behind these boulders, and for that reason every movement necessitates extreme caution, and when this is neglected somebody is apt to pay the penalty and a very costly one, as the British have already discovered.

Lawyer Labori, who defended Dreyfus, got his revenge out of a Paper which intimated that he had himself shot to win smpathy. He sued the paper for libel, and the paper was sentenced to fine of 2,000 francs and was required to insert the verdict in forty papers in Paris and in two hundred published in other provinces, which made its advertising bill pretty large, and gave Labori some solid satisfaction.

Dr. Bull's
Cures all Throat and Lung Affections.
COUGH SYRUP
Get the genuine. Refuse substitutes.
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Dr. Bull's Pills cure Dyspepsia. Trial, 20 for 5c.

MR. LENTZ MAKES SOME POINTS.

We are not a very ardent admirer of Mr. Lentz, of Ohio. He lacks ballast, and in his fervor is given to saying things that it were better left unsaid. But he made some good points in his speech in the House Saturday, although much of it was irrelevant to the subject under discussion.

But he struck a rock bottom truth when he charged that the effect of the currency bill before the House would be to establish a bank trust, which would have absolute monopoly of the paper currency of the country, and which it could contract or expand at pleasure, regardless of the demands of business or of the necessities of the people. The silver certificates will not be increased, the Treasury notes will be withdrawn as rapidly as it can be done, and the country will be left entirely dependent upon national bank notes for its paper money.

The amount of notes the banks may issue is left to their judgment, the only requirement of them being that they must keep within the limit of the bonds deposited. They are governed as to the maximum issue but are left free as to the minimum, and being free as to this they will naturally consult their own interests and issue only such volume of notes as may be profitable to them. The tendency will, of course, be to keep the volume down to keep interest up, and there will be expansion of volume only when there may be an extraordinary and pressing demand for more currency. This is no reflection on the bankers. They are operating banks as a business, for the profit there is in it, and it would not be reasonable to expect that they would not take advantage of the privileges the law gives them.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Winston *Sentinel*: Salem's new enterprise—knitting mill—began operations Thursday. Mr. H. C. Lemly, the proprietor, is well pleased with the way his machinery is working and the goods being turned out. He has all the orders he can fill for several months.

— Nashville *Graphic*: While carrying some coals of fire into the field the little six-year-old daughter of Mr. Prentice Drake was so badly burned that it died Sunday. The little one dropped the fire into the weeds which at once became ignited setting fire to the clothing of the child with the above stated result.

— Kinston *Free Press*: A slick-tongued man was here recently and took a few orders for job printing from some of our people, collecting part payment in advance. The man jumped his board bill and it transpires that those who gave him orders and cash are out the amount parted with.

Greensboro *Record*: Bob Bennett, one the most estimable citizens of Rockingham, who lived about 10 miles South of Madison, was accidentally shot Thursday by one Logneeker, of Allenton, Pa., while out bird hunting. It seems that Bennett was walking just in front of Logneeker when the latter's gun, which was a hammer gun was discharged by a limb catching against the hammer, the whole load entering Bennett's body just below the hip, shattering the bone and making what is thought at this time to be a fatal wound.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Another noted convict has escaped from the penitentiary here. His name is Wright, and he belonged to a notorious band of safe blowers and postoffice robbers that were bagged in the Southern States about two years ago. All of the gang, some dozen or fifteen in number, were sent to the penitentiary, and all of them, with one exception, have escaped. Wright made his escape Thursday night. Exactly how he got out is not known. He was in the hospital, however, and it is supposed he went in the way he tried to go before—by hiding under the shirt factory and scaling the wall during the night.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: The faculty of the Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro announced Saturday that the college will not open on January 2nd, as first stated, as the repairs will not be ready in time. —— Mr. Dudley Parks, near Spring Hill, Halifax county, lost his barn and stables by fire some days ago. He thought it was the work of an incendiary. A horse was burned in the stables. —— The Secretary of State Saturday did a rushing business in the matter of incorporating new manufacturing concerns. Four new companies were incorporated, with capital stocks aggregating upwards of $200,000. Of these, three are in Greensboro, and represent a total capital stock of $134 000. ——Some specimens of the San Jose Scale were received yesterday at the Agricultural Department from Mr. J. P. Council, at Wananish, Columbus county. The scale was taken from young trees bought from a nursery in this State and set out last March. The stock of this nursery has since been condemned and its license taken away. Mr. Council writes that three or four of his trees are already dead and others are badly infected. He has been advised by the crop pest commission authorities here to destroy all the trees, as in no other way can the scale be destroyed, such a hold has it got on the orchard.

Cold Steel or Death.

"There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I. B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure all Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

Electric Belt on Trial.

To introduce it and obtain agents, the undersigned firm will send a few of their Electric Belts on trial on the following terms: $1.00 to be paid in ten days if the Belt proves beneficial, and the balance, $2.00, to be paid in sixty days if the Belt effects a cure. These Belts are a positive cure for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Kidney trouble, Stomach and Liver trouble, Asthma, etc. Address at once

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† P. O. Box 1874, New York, N. Y.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— Several of the British officers in Natal are having plucked from their brows the laurels that they won in other African wars. The trouble is that they are fighting white men now, whereas they were fighting black or brown before.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— And now we are to hang or shoot the guerillas we capture in Luzon, "for the sake of the deterrent effect such action will have." How exactly we are following the footsteps of Spain in our treatment of the possibly unwise, but undoubtedly patriotic, Filipinos.—*Richmond Dispatch, Dem.*

—— Another effort is to be made in Congress requiring publication of the pension roll. Every really deserving pensioner should indorse the measure, for publicity would do more than anything to make the pension roll what it should be, a roll of honor, by exposing unworthy pensioners, whose presence on the lists tends to discredit the whole body.—*New York Herald, Ind.*

—— Four pence per day will be deducted from each private in the British army now afield who has a wife, and one penny a day in addition will be taken for every child of such married soldiers in order to provide for the support of those whom that "absent-minded beggar," Tommy Atkins, has left at home. This is a measure never resorted to by the War Office unless the absence of the troops from their cantonments is expected to be prolonged. The easy confidence with which the British authorities entered upon the Boer war, as exemplified by the boast attributed to General Buller that he would eat his Christmas dinner in Pretoria, has evidently given way to a feeling that the pending struggle will be one of the hardest in which the British army has ever been engaged.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Percy—"That girl made a fool of me years ago." Louie—"Pity; you never got over it."—*Ally Sloper.*

— A monopoly is a good deal like a baby. A man is opposed to it on general principles until he has one of his own.—*Tit-Bits.*

— Fortune Teller—"And I see a dark man who will give you trouble." The Widow (to herself)—"The coal man! Why didn't I pay his bill?"

— Awful Silence—Perkins—"How very quiet it is here, Miss 'Arrington!" The Lady—"Yes, dreadfully; one might almost hear an 'h' drop!"—*Tit-Bits.*

— "Mamma, I saw a dog to-day that had only three legs." "Weren't you awfully sorry for him?" "No; he had one more leg than I have."—*Tit Bits.*

— "How does it happen, doctor, that we never see you with your old flame, the banker's daughter, any more?" "Because she is married." "Married! To whom?" "To me."

— He—"Yes, she's very rich, they tell me. Most uninteresting girl, though, I consider. She can say nothing but 'Yes?' and 'No!'" She—"Indeed! And which did she say to you?"—*Ally Sloper.*

— Neighborly Ties: "The telephone is a great social factor." "That's so. We wouldn't have called on those people next door at all if we hadn't wanted to use their telephone.—*Chicago Record.*

— Fayetteville *Observer:* A young negro girl about 15 years of age, nurse for for Mrs. S. C. West, the Southern agent at Walnut Cove, fell in a well at Bennettsville yesterday and broke her neck. Mrs. West was visiting in Bennettsville at the time.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Capt. Arthur Barnes, of North Carolina, Assistant Doorkeeper of the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—Capt. Arthur Barnes, of North Carolina, was found dead in his bed in this city at 8.30 o'clock this morning. He seemed in his usual health yesterday and his death is believed to have been due to heart disease.

Capt. Barnes had been an assistant doorkeeper for the Senate for ten years. He was a Democrat and had attended every Democratic national convention since 1880. He was a captain in the Confederate service during the civil war. He was about 65 years old.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Methodist Conference of Mississippi passed a resolution appealing to he House of Representatives not to seat Congressman Roberts of Utah.

Ex-Mayor Patrick J. Gleason, of Long Island City, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, in which he gives his liabilities at $326,894; assets $8,988.

The Cedar Grove property, opposite the Norfolk Navy yard, will be sold to the government for $132,500, this amount having been decided upon by Secretary Long.

The nine year old son of Mr. Joe Robinson, of Eatonton, Ga., was badly torn by a mad dog Friday. With his father he left for the Pasteur institute at Baltimore yesterday.

Four new manufacturing concerns were incorporated in Raleigh, N. C., yesterday with capital stocks aggregating upwards of $200,000. Of these, three are in Greensboro and represent a total capital stock of $134,000.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. W. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from pneumonia. But she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and $100. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S, drug store.

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A MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

Tragedy in Surry County, North Carolina — Sol Simpson Killed by Sarah Wallace.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 16.—There is now being investigated at Dobson, the county seat of Suary county, North Carolina one of the most mysterious murders ever committed in North Carolina. About the middle of November a Mrs. Sarah Wallace came to Dobson and reported that she had on the night previous shot and killed Sol Simpson. Simpson is a man who had served a term in the penitentiary for stealing whiskey and was considered a general nuisance. Many hoped her report was true, but no one cared to investigate, and not being able to make her story believed, she returned home and found, as she claims, that while she was away to surrender to the authorities, some one came with a wagon and removed the dead body that she had left lying in front of her door. The body had been secreted and so far no trace of it has been found, though diligent search has now been made. Some four days ago the father of the murdered man, not hearing anything from his missing son and having heard these reports, had warrants sworn out, with the result that Mrs. Wallace is now in jail and the search for the missing corpse goes on. It seems now that she implicates a man of some standing, and if the body is ever found Surry county will have a highly sensational and complicated murder trial.

Her story is now that this man was with her and that they knew Sol. Simpson was coming. As she had no way to defend herself the man gave her his pistol and then retired. Simpson knocked for admittance and Mrs. Wallace informed him that she did not care for his company. He declared he would come in any way and after two heavy assaults on the door with a huge rock, the door fell in and Simpson started to enter. As he reached the threshold she fired the pistol and he fell. After a few moments she went to him and found that his body was growing cold. She made still further examination and a bullet hole was found in his breast, which caused immediate death. Then as she claims, she came to Dobson to surrender and while there the body was removed and secreted away and thus the case stands at this writing.

J. T. Couch, of Durham, N. C., father and administrator of Linwood Couch, has instituted suit for $30,000 against the North Carolina Railroad Company. Linwood Couch, who was in the employ of the railroad company, was a brakeman, and while chang ing a car whose drawhead had pulled out, was crushed to death.

A CLEAR RIGHT OF WAY.

There Was Nothing to Interfere if He Chose.

When I first came into the mountains of West Virginia to look after the coal interests of an eastern company, I boarded at a little tavern in the county town presided over by a good looking woman of 40 who, as I had understood, was a widow. She was keener witted and more entertaining than the average mountain woman and I rather enjoyed talking to her. One evening, after I had been her guest about three weeks, I found myself alone with her on the porch of the house, and we chatted along very pleasantly about men and women and life generally.

"Ain't you married?" she asked in response to something I had said leading up to such a question.

"Oh, no," I laughed. "I'm an unhappy old bachelor."

"Well, you oughter be ashamed uv yerself," she said with spirit.

"I am," I assented. "But how is a man to be otherwise when the women won't do their share?"

"But they will ef they ever git the chance," she contended.

"It's easy enough for you to say that," I said, "because you felt that way toward your husband when he asked you."

"My husband!" she almost shouted. "I hain't got no husband, nor never did have."

"Why—why," I stammered, "I understood you were a widow."

"Well, I ain't."

"Do you mean to tell me that as good looking a woman as you are is an old maid yet?"

She hesitated a moment before answering.

"In course I am," she said, and her voice softened, "but I hain't no objections to bein a married woman."

Goodness knows how I got out of it and still remained a "star boarder," but I did, and I didn't sit out on that porch in the evening any more, either.—Washington Star.

They Suffer In Silence.

One of the most pathetic things is the manner in which the animal kingdom endures suffering. Take horses, for instance, in battle. After the first shock of a wound they make no sound. They bear the pain with a mute, wonderful endurance, and if at night you hear a wild groan from the battlefield it comes from their loneliness, their loss of that human companionship which seems absolutely indispensable to the comfort of domesticated animals.

The dog will carry a broken leg for days wistfully, but uncomplainingly.

The cat, stricken with stick or stone or caught in some trap from which it gnaws its way to freedom, crawls in some secret place and bears in silence pain which we could not endure. Sheep and cattle often meet the thrust of the butcher's knife without a sound, and even common poultry endure intense agony without complaint.

The dove shot to death flies to some faroff bough, and as it dies the silence is unbroken save by the patter on the leaves of its own lifeblood. The wounded deer speeds to some thick brake and in pitiful submission waits for death.

The eagle, shot in midair, fights to the last against the fatal summons. There is no moan or sound of pain, and the defiant look never fades from its eyes until the lids close over them never to uncover again.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—473 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 53 barrels tar, 1 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—119 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 6 barrels rosin, 150 barrels tar, 50 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—77 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 103 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—154 bales cotton, 10 cask spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin.

C. C. Railroad—58 bales cotton.

Steamer Driver—6 casks spirits turpentine, 123 barrels rosin, 251 barrels tar.

Schooner J. D. Pigott—5 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 80 barrels tar.

Schooner Victor C—13 bales cotton, 25 barrels rosin.

Total—Cotton, 898 bales; spirits turpentine, 54 casks; rosin, 243 barrels; tar, 557 barrels; crude turpentine, 51 barrels.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	6½@	6¾
Standard	6¼@	6¾
Burlaps	5 @	5½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12½ @	15
Sides ℔ ℔	5½@	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	6
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5½@	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 15 @	1 20
New New York, each	@	1 35
New City, each	@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	@	25
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	21 @	22½
Northern	27 @	30
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	46 @	47½
Virginia Meal	@	47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	1 10
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	16 @	18
Dairy Cream	@	15
State	14 @	15
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	12½@	15
Rio	7 @	10
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4 ℔ yard	@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	18 @	20
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	3 50 @	3 75
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	4 25 @	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	@	3 50
Straight	3 75 @	3 90
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	12½@	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	58 @	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	@	50
Oats, from store	38 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	60 @	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	12½
Dry salt	@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		
Clover Hay	85 @	90
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	80 @	85
Western	80 @	85
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½@	4
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	6 @	6½
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	9 00 @	6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @	8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @	10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	@	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 80 @	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	10 00 @	10 50
Rump	@	9 50
Prime	@	9 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 196 ℔ Sacks	@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 25 @	2 25
Cypress Sage	2 50 @	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¼@	5¾
Standard A	4¾@	5
White Extra C	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	@	4¾
C, Yellow	@	4⅝
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 50 @	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50 @	5 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @	3 50
" Sap	2 00 @	2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW ℔ ℔	@	5
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	14 @	15

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr Driver, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

Schooner Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, New York, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Schooner B I Hazard, 373 tons, Blatchford, New York, George Harriss, Son & Co.

CLEARED.

Stmr Driver, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

Stmr E A Hawes, Smith, Mill Creek, James Madden.

Stmr Seabright, Sanders, Calabash and Little River, S C, Stone, Rourk & Co.

Nor barque Johannee 478 tons, Thorsen, London, Heide & Co.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Clyde steamship Richmond, 337 bbls spirits, 578 bbls tar, 139 bbls crude, 182,576 feet lumber, 10 bbls pitch, 51 cases cotton goods, 135 pkgs mdse, 60 bales warps; vessel by H G Smallbones.

FOREIGN.

LONDON—Nor barque Johanne—4,686 bbls rosin, valued at $5,780.62; cargo by Paterson, Downing & Co, vessel by Heide & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 19, 1899.

STEAMSHIPS.

Laurelwood (Br), 1,595 tons, Mauer, J H Sloan.

Aquila (Nor), 1,407 tons, Andersen, Heide & Co.

Astrea (Br), 2,110 tons, Barry, Brackenburg, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Haslingden (Br), 1,220 tons, Higgins, E Peschau & Co.

SCHOONERS.

B I Hazard, 373 tons, Blatchford, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Alma, 152 tons, Small, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Charlotte W Miller, 248 tons, Higbee, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BRIGS.

Caroline Gray, 311 tons, Meader, George Harriss, Son & Co.

M C Haskell, 277 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

GOLD DUST
The Best
Washing Powder.
Ask Your Laundress to Try It.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 48½ cents per gallon for machine made casks and 48 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.10 per barrel for strained and $1.15 for good strained.

TAR—Market quiet at $1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 40@39½c; rosin, nothing doing; tar firm at $1.10; crude turpentine firm at $1.30@2.30, $2.30.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	54
Rosin	242
Tar	557
Crude turpentine	51

Receipts same day last year.—37 casks spirits turpentine, 1,090 bbls rosin, 716 bbls tar, 71 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13-16 cts ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 3-16 " "
Low middling	6 13-16 " "
Middling	7¼ " "
Good middling	7½ " "

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts—898 bales; same day last year, 1,705.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime 85c. Extra prime, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, $1.05c. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm: 52 to 52¼ cents per bushel for white,

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 18.—Money on call to-day was stringent, ranging from 6 to 125 per cent., last loan at 40, closing, bid and asked, at 30@40 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5¼@6 per cent. Sterling exchange was slightly easier; actual business in bankers' bills 487¾ for demand and 481½ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482¼ and 488¼. Commercial bills 480½481. Silver certificates 59@59¼. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47½. Government bonds weak. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds weak. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¼; do. coupon, 109¼; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133¼; do. coupon, 133¼; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 113¼; do. coupon, 114¼; U. S. 5's, registered, 112¼; do. coupon, 112¼; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 104¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 48¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 26¾; Manhattan L 91; New York Central 121; Reading 15; do. 1st preferred 49¼; St. Paul 115; do. preferred off'd 165; Southern Railway 10¼; do. preferred 50¼; American Tobacco, 82; do. preferred 130; People's Gas 93; Sugar 124¾; do. preferred 112; T. C. & Iron 70; U. S. Leather 11¾; do. preferred 65; Western Union 85¼.

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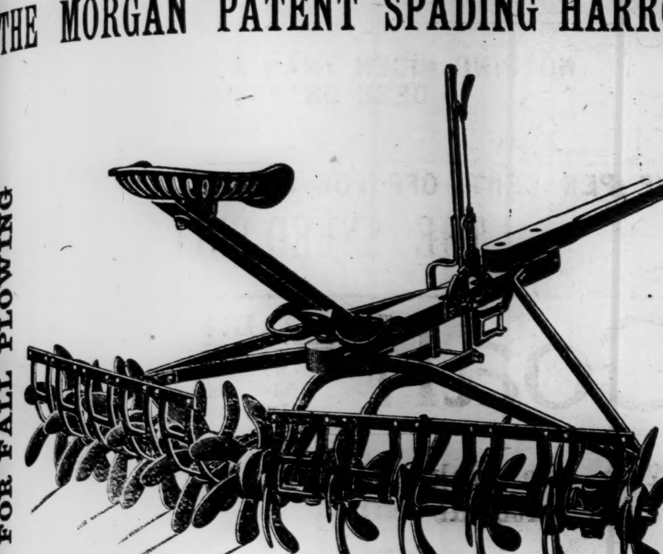

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Depositors are requested to present their books to have interest entered for quarter ending December 1st, 1899.

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JAS. S. WORTH, Acting Cashier.

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Train 41—Leaves Wilmington daily at 3:05 P. M., Lumberton 5:14 P. M., Pembroke 5:40 P. M., Maxton 6:12 P. M., Laurinburg 6:24 P. M., arriving at Hamlet 6:58 P. M., where connection is made with trains for Charlotte, Athens, Atlanta and all points South, Southeast and Southwest. Also with trains for Raleigh, Portsmouth, Norfolk, Old Point Comfort, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

Through sleeping cars from Hamlet to Washington and Atlanta; also through sleeping car to Portsmouth.

Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:06 P. M., Hamlet 6:55 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 8:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Rutherfordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:20 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:30 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

Train 17—Leaves Hamlet 8:40 A. M. Arrives Cheraw 10:00 A. M. Returning, leaves Cheraw 5:00 P. M. Arrives Hamlet 6:20 P. M.

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V. E. McBEE, Gen'l Superintendent.
H. W. B. GLOVER, Traffic Mang'r.
L. S. ALLEN, Gen'l Pass. Agent.
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Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as Administrator of Ann Roberts Taylor, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present them, duly verified, to George L Peschau, Esq., Attorney, on or before the 19th day of November, 1900, or this notice will be plead in bar.

Dated this 18th November, 1899.

GEORGE P. TAYLOR,
Administrator Estate of Ann Roberts Taylor.
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The Murchison National Bank.

Commenced Business March 1st, 1899.

Capital, - - - - $200,000
Net Profits, - - - 15,000

Deposits Nov. 7th, $353,835.18, every dollar of which is secured by Two Dollars, as follows:

ASSETS.

Cash in vault and in other banks	$368,830.50
Secured loans and discounts	282,349.72
U. S. bonds and other cash assets	16,850.00
Stockholders' liability	200,000.00
	$768,030.22

Besides the security, we offer to patrons polite and careful attention, and all reasonable accommodation.

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J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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Candies, Nuts, Raisins,
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Cakes,
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Executor's Notice.

Having qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of Charles A. Foreman, deceased, late of New Hanover county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of November, A. D. 1900, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

GEORGE E. FOREMAN, Executor.
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CHINESE JUSTICE.

A Story of Li Hung Chang and Men Who Tried to Poison Him.

Of Li Hung Chang numberless stories are told in Chinese society. On one occasion, says The Literary Digest, when the premier was having a bitter fight with some of the more conservative members of the tsung-li-yamen he received as a present a magnificent cake which he had reason to suspect contained poison. He put the cake aside and set all his powerful machinery to work to find out who was at the bottom of the plot. The investigation was partly successful, the crime being traced to three men, of whom one at least was absolutely guilty. Li had the trio arrested and brought to his yamen. When they arrived, they were ushered into his presence and were received in his courtliest manner. The cake was produced with the remark that "politeness forbade his tasting it until the three generous donors had had an opportunity to enjoy its excellence." Li cut the cake, and one of his servitors handed it to the unwilling guests. Each took a piece and ate or pretended to eat it. One crumbled the pieces and let them fall upon the floor, but the other two ate calmly, without manifesting any emotion. Ten minutes and the two men began to show symptoms of suffering. Li smiled benignantly and said to the man who had not eaten, "Your wisdom is so great that I am compelled to preserve your head as a souvenir to transcendent genius."

The man was removed and promptly decapitated. To the other two the premier remarked: "The cake that you are eating is not the one you sent, but one which I had my cook imitate. The poison from which you are suffering exists only in your imagination. I know of no way to cure your present pain except by letting you share the same fate as your friend who has just left the room."

As they were led away the statesman said to his retinue, "It is a pity that a man who can eat a deadly corrosive poison with an unmoved countenance should so misapply the talent wherewith heaven has endowed him."

Coffee and Egg.

A cup of coffee may be made very nourishing for an invalid if a well beaten egg is stirred into it and a little cream added. Mix together the egg, sugar and cream, then pour in the hot coffee gradually, whipping it with a silver fork. Taken in this way, the coffee is almost as good as a meal for an invalid.

STATEMENT OF

Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON N. C.

At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 858,971.54
Overdrafts		8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,600.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's	$ 79,160.28	
Due from other banks	169,160.99	
Cash on hand	79,331.51	—327,652.78
Total		$1,292,233.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		101,784.40
Circulation		41,040.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	$ 50,000.00	
Deposits from Banks	207,693.55	
Deposits from individuals	731,715.16	
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00	—1,024,408.71
Total		$1,292,233.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec. 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,024,000
Surplus and net profit	76,200	87,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

☞ Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October 1892. dec 8 tf

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240 Boxes Laundry Soap.
50 Barrels Rice.
25 Barrels Vinegar.
25 Half Barrels Cider.
50 Barrels Molasses.
100 Boxes Potted Ham.
50 Boxes Corned Beef.
100 Boxes Starch.
50 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
50 Bags Cocoanuts.
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Tobacco, Cigars, Cheroots and quantities of other goods.

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New Meat Market.

This is to inform the many friends of Mr. Johnnie Hintz that he has completed arrangements to go into the Meat Business under the firm name of J. H. Hintz & Co., on stalls Nos. 1 and 3, north side of Market House, formerly occupied by C. S. Garrell & Co., where by polite attention and dispatch he hopes for a full share of the patronage of his old friends.

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One 80-acre tract of Land within half mile of Burgaw. None cleared, but easily put in state of cultivation.

Valuable Farm near Greenville, N. C.

A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse.

Will sell all together or the land separate.

Farm of 143 Acres

in Long Creek village, Pender county—25 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

2,000 Acres of Land

in New Hanover county on navigable stream; borders tide water. Three clearings on place—one of 25 acres with house and outbuildings on same; two of 20 acres each; balance well timbered. Twelve miles from Wilmington. Four miles from Castle Hayne, a station on the W. & W. R. R. The nearest point of the land to the Newbern railroad is two miles.

House in Kenansville.

One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

Fifty Acres of Land

One-half mile from South Washington, on the W. & W. R. R., in Pender county. Borders on county roads. Very valuable for trucking.

Property in Burgaw.

Four good Building Lots in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-half acre each.

One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, front ing railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

A Nice Farm.

A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

A Real Bargain.

A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington.

Farm Near Ashton.

One hundred and fifty acres two miles from Ashton, four miles from Burgaw. Four acres cleared, most of which is very fertile low land. Balance well timbered for farming purposes. Two tenant houses.

For terms, &c., address,
R. G. GRADY & CO.,
Burgaw, N. C.

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ATLANTIC & YADKIN RAILWAY.

Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar......Wilmington......Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Fayetteville......Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv......Climax......Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv......Walnut Cove......Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv......Rural Hall......Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv......Mt. Airy......Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 64.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 65.
8 00 a m	Lv......Bennettsville......Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv......Maxton......Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv......Red Springs......Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv......Hope Mills......Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	4 33 p m
No. 46.		No. 47.

South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar......Ramseur......Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Climax......Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv......Madison......Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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METHODIST PARSONAGE,
ROCKINGHAM, N. C., Oct. 14, 1898.

I can bear testimony to the great value of Barium Rock Spring Water for Eczema and other eruptive diseases of the skin. I have known MANY CASES CURED, some of them of the most stubborn character.

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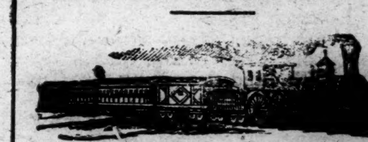

Schedule In Effect Nov. 19, 1899.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.26 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 12 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.06 P M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.20 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.25 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M., 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.21 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M., Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.16 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON,
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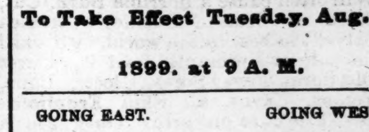
Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.



To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	
....	4 32	Kinston........	10 12	
5 40	5 50	Newbern........	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The C. W. Polvogt Co

'Tis a week before Christmas aud all through our Store you'll find just what you want, and a whole lot more.

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Gloves, Silk Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Capes, Cloaks, Dress Goods, Rugs,

Lace Ties, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Pictures, Dolls, Games, Carriages, Go Carts.

Open every evening this week.

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.,

dec 17 tf No. 9 North Front Street.

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You will be sure to purchase.

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there is no flour on the market like Our Best Patent. It is made from the choicest wheat raised, and made by the best roller process. For bread, cakes and pastry it is unexcelled, and is in demand by families who love white, light and delicious bread and bakestuffs that are always satisfactory. For the holidays we offer you this superior Flour for $4.50 per bbl. Our Dried Fruits, Preserved Citron, Seeded Raisins and Currants, and Shelled Almonds are choice

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*****SPECIALS OFFERED.

Taylor's Bazaar, 118 Market street.

A Ladies' Dollar Kid Glove, in white, black or tan, with two clasps, only 75c per pair.
Ten Dozen Ladies' Hats, stitched brim and Tam O'Shanta crown, with quill, only 50c.
Long Quills, all colors, only 5c.
Five dozen Trimmed black Felt Alpines, 25c.
Rough Brim Straw Sailors, Trimmed ready to wear, 25c.
200 Capes in all styles, in price upward from $1.00.
Ten dozen Ladies' Muslin Gowns, with tucks, full size and nicely made, only 50c.

Just received a new lot of

Trimmed Millinery.

DON'T FORGET our new Toy Department at 108 Market street.

Taylor's Bazaar.

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The National Bank of Wilmington.

6th December, 1899.

ASSETS.

U. S. City and County Bonds (at par)	$117,309.00
Banking House Furniture and Fixtures	23,000.00
Loans and discounts	223,340.21
Redempt on fund	4 500.00
Due from Banks and cash on hand	130,513.78
	$498,653.99

LIABILITIES.

Capital and surplus	$118 000.00
Circulation	90 000.00
Deposits	287, 91 27
Net profits, Expenses and taxes paid	3,362.72
	$498,653.99

We submit the above for your consideration. If you will carefully study this statement we feel sure that it will please you. You will note that we are making steady and healthy progress.

We only began business in June, 1894; therefore, the youngest Bank in the city.

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Well, Christmas is Coming, and

I Am Glad of It, Says the School Girl.

My father and mother go to town before then, and I shall put in my wants and tell them where I would go and get the nice things.

My mamma has promised to buy me a nice Cloak, and I have seen one that came from the Racket at $2 48, just like the one I want, and a Fur Collarette at $1.75 and $2.00. Some very nice ones at $4.00 and $5.00, with the Capes and Fur and Heads and Tails on it. And if my mamma will, I shall ask her to buy me some good everyday Dress Goods. Nice pretty patterns in them, Plaid remnants in 10 to 20 yard pieces at 6c. A nice new one-half Wool Dress Goods, Rough Finish, at 12½c and 15c. A splendid Plaid, bright and pretty, at 29c.

Well, my School Shoes are wearing out, and they have worn well. My papa bought them at the Racket, and I will have him to get me a pair of Goodman's best Solid Leather, Fine Shoes at Gaylord's for $1.00 a pair. My School Shoes, solid and good, he can get at 85c; and the run is large sizes, from 3's to 6's.

Look here, miss, you shan't have it all. How about that Suit I am to have at $1.50 or $2.00; and a pair of those Double-Seated Pants at 50c; and a good Cap from 10c, 15c to 25c.

Well, I want some good Undershirts and Pants. I am going to get him to bring me some of those 29c Shirts that are worth 50c. A nice Laundered Shirt at 25c. A Union Suit, a good one, at 25c; and a pair of fine Shoes at 75c or $1.00. Do you know it don't take much money to fit me up, as I do not have any fandangles. There is where you win; they do not cost much when you buy them at the right place.

Big miss, you shan't have it all. My papa says he is going to buy his baby a nice long Cloak at 75c, a pretty trimmed Hat, trimmed up to suit baby. Nice pretty styles at 75c, and a beautiful Silk baby Cap at 25c. And those little soft Christmas Shoes, laced up with red strings for 25c; Fur all around the top for 35c and 50c. And the nicest little soft warm baby Mitts at 5c.

Do you think papa can buy half of the things we want? Well, yes; they won't cost much. And he and mamma need some good Winter Clothing. I know where he trades, because he always does buy reliable, honest Goods, and gets them cheap at the Big Racket.

My mamma says she is going to buy a Carpet for her front room and her parlors, and says she can buy a good Ingrain Carpet at 29c, and good Brussels Carpet at 45c; a good Hemp Carpet for the dining room at 18c; a nice Matting for her spare room at 18c and 20c; and some Shades at 10c and 25c. Some Lace Curtains for the parlor at 98c a pair. And some nice Silkaline for a Lamberquin at 8c. And, just think, after buying these goods so cheap, the Racket Store man will give my mamma a real nice, large Willow Rocking Chair for a $25.00 purchase, a set of fine China, six Cups, six Saucers, six Plates and one large Bowl for a $25.00 purchase.

They Have About Twenty-five People Pushing Out Daily at Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

GEO. O. GAYLORD, PROP.

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The Morning Star.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 19, 1899.

LOWER CAPE FEAR RIVER.

Important Work to be Done at Fort Caswell and "The Rocks"—Damaged by Recent Storms.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

SOUTHPORT, N. C., December 16.

There are two important pieces of work on the lower Cape Fear river on which the U. S. engineer corps is now figuring. The first is a sea wall at Fort Caswell, which is to be built to protect the works and batteries from the waves of the ocean, and prevent a repetition of the havoc wrought by the last storm.

The wall is to start at a point a little west of Battery Shipp (the extreme western battery) and run eastward along the ocean beach and around Caswell Point on the river side to what is known as Caswell Creek. It is to be built of solid masonry, and when completed will be about three quarters of a mile in length. The surveys and estimates have been made, and it is said a special emergency bill is to be introduced into Congress asking for an appropriation to build the wall and make the necessary fills.

The fighting strength of Fort Caswell is expected to be increased in the early Spring by the arrival of another battery of artillery, as the present force is not sufficient to garrison the fort even in time of peace.

The other project is the repairing of the government dam which closes New Inlet at Federal Point, generally known as the "Rocks." The damage done by the storms during the past Fall, and especially by the great storm of October 31st, has been great, particularly to the lower half of the dam, the part extending between Zeke's Island and the marsh north of Smith's Island. The capping stones of most of this part of the dam have been washed off and in several places great breaks have been made in it by the waves and wash of the tide, the largest one of which is of considerable width and has nine feet depth of water at low tide. There is a force of twelve or fifteen hands at work now replacing some of the capping stones, but this force is entirely inadequate, and it is understood the Engineer Department has made estimates and will ask Congress for a liberal appropriation to repair this great breakwater and put it back in its original strength.

PANIC IN THE STOCK MARKET

Severe Stringency of Money and Failures of Prominent Firms—Call Loans Advanced to 125 Per Cent.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 18.—The Stock Market yielded to panic to day under the severe stringency of money and the distrust engendered concerning all classes of securities on the Exchange. The industrials were the severest sufferers and were the real centres of the disturbance, but the efforts to protect holdings in them precipitated violent liquidation in other classes of securities. The intervening Sunday afforded some momentary check to Saturday's liquidation, as was expected, so that the opening declines in sympathy with London were in large part recovered and the market seemed comparatively quiet and without sensation.

The announcement of the failure of a trust company and a firm of brokers prominent in the Exchange, caused renewed weakness and there were calls for additional margins by commission houses. A decision by the clearing house banks to renew old loans at six per cent., and to avoid as far as possible excessive rates for new loans, quieted the market again and caused some recovery. In the afternoon severe stringency developed again in the money markets, rates for call loans bounding up rapidly to 125 per cent., which was the maximum officially recorded. Unofficial reports were read of loans of 126 per cent. The market quickly took on panic conditions and stocks were thrown over entirely without regard to prices. Metropolitan and Tobacco led with losses of over twenty points, and a large number of industrials followed with five to fifteen points. In the high grade railroad stocks declines ranged from five to nine points, including the grangers, trunk lines, internationals, southerns and trans-continentals. In the last half hour, by concerted agreement of the Clearing House banks, $10,000,000 was offered on the exchange, which broke the money rate to 6 per cent. and caused violent recoveries of from one to ten points in the prices of stocks. All outside influences were swallowed up in the acuteness of the local situation. Semi-speculative bonds were off from two to three points. Dealings were not on an extraordinary scale. Total sales per value $3,350,000. The sales of stocks were 1,630,500 shares.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Movements of U. S. Forces—Band of Guerillas Captured—Insurgent Steamer Seized—Filipinos Routed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Dec. 18.—General Lawton will start to-night for Manila with the Eleventh cavalry under Col. Lockett, and battalions of the Twenty-ninth and Twenty-seventh under Lieutenant Colonel Sargent, to capture San Matee, where Geronomo has three hundred insurgents.

General Grant has nearly cleared Zambeles province. He discovered hidden in Subig bay a steamer, the Don Francisco, of 180 tons, fully equipped and coaled. She is supposed to be the vessel Aguinaldo was keeping ready for his escape. Captain Lyson, of the Twenty second regiment, has routed an insurgent band in Zambeles province, killing several officers. Major Smith with three companies of the Seventeenth, surrounded and captured another band of guerillas which were terrorizing a large section north. The troops killed several of the band.

MANILA, December 19.—9.20 A. M.—It is officially announced that Gen. Young reports that he believes the American prisoners, including Lieutenant Gilmore, are now in the hands of the United States troops. Lieutenant Colonel Howze and Major Hunter have been operating with small commands in North Ilocos province, and it is supposed that one of them has effected the release of the Americans. The report has not been verified.

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GENERAL ROBERTS SUCCEEDS BULLER.

Will be Commander-in-Chief of All the British Forces in South Africa.

REINFORCEMENTS FROM INDIA

Additional Troops to be Sent to the Cape From England—Volunteers Responding With Alacrity—Further Particulars of Fight at Colenso.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 19, 4.30 A. M.—The War Office has been in communication with General Sir William Lockhart, commander-in-chief of India, with a view of ascertaining what troops can be spared from his forces, and it is understood that as a result of these inquiries a force will almost immediately leave Bombay for Durban, including four regiments of seasoned troops, with ammunition column and a brigade of artillery, including horse and field batteries. It is hoped that this force will reinforce General Buller within a month.

The Duke of Connaught visited the War Office yesterday. Since the appointment of Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief of South Africa the question of rank no longer bars the Duke from going to the front, and, as he has a strong desire to go, it is believed that only the Queen's reluctance stands in the way. It is not unlikely this will be overcome.

Lord Chesman, commanding officer of the Royal Buckinghamshire Yeomanry, has been authorized to organize a force of three thousand yeomanry, who will proceed to the Cape. The yeomanry forces sent out will be drafted so as to work together with the mounted infantry and mounted militia from Canada and Australia.

It is understood that the volunteers selected will not form a separate corps, but will join their linked battalions to the regular forces in South Africa.

Volunteers Responding.

Throughout the country volunteers are responding with the utmost alacrity to the official notice. Lord Lonsdale says he believes the government will only accept from twenty to fifty men from each yeomanry regiment. It is asserted that many officers of the volunteer regiments are offering to go as troopers if not accepted as officers.

The *Times* says, editorially: "Lord Roberts will have absolutely a free hand and may be expected to resume the original plan of campaign abandoned by General Buller under the necessity of relieving Ladysmith."

According to a dispatch from Cape Town, General Sir Charles Warren and his staff have started for De Aar. This seems to indicate that the fifth division will be sent to reinforce Lord Methuen, a decision which will meet with general approval, as the opinion is almost everywhere held that it would be useless to waste any more time by frittering away men between the various columns.

The *Morning Post*, reviewing the various positions of the beleagured commanders and garrisons, asserts that the relief of Ladysmith is the most important emergency, and that a victory in Natal would change the whole face of affairs. It also points out the urgent need of having the navy in readiness to move at any moment to protect the line of communication with South Africa, suggesting that "a quarrel with some foreign power might come any day without any British intention to have one."

J. B. Robinson, the South African millionaire, writes to the *Daily Chronicle* re asserting that the Boers have unlimited supplies of ammunition and ample stores of food and declaring that all statements to the contrary should be ignored. No further news has been received from Cape Town.

British Prestige Dimmed.

BERLIN, December 17.—A distinguished member of the diplomatic corps, in the course of a discussion to day regarding General Buller's reverse, said: "It means morally far more for Great Britain than the mere loss of the battle. Her prestige after the defeat of last week has fallen enormously on the Continent, and it will be many years before she will again venture to assume a tone toward a great power such as she took in the Fashoda affair."

STERKSTROOM, December 17.—As a result of the British reverses the whole country northward is in rebellion. The natives there, as well as those in Basutoland, are said to be much disturbed and losing heart respecting the strength of the British.

CAPE TOWN, December 17.—Secret meetings of Boer sympathizers continue to be held in various parts of Cape Colony, and the attitude of the Dutch farmers is truculent.

Gen. Roberts Supersedes Buller.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Baron Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, commander of the forces in Ireland, has been appointed to the chief command in South Africa, with General Lord Kitchener, of Khartoum, as chief of staff.

Shortly before midnight the following notice was posted at the War Office:

"As the campaign in Natal, in the opinion of her Majesty's Government, is likely to require the presence and undivided attention of General Sir Redvers Buller, it has been decided to send Baron Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, as commander-in-chief in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as chief of the staff."

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Lieutenant, the Hon. F. H. S. Roberts, son of Baron Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, and who was wounded in the engagement at Tugela River, is dead.

LONDON, December 19.—A dispatch to the *Daily Mail* from Naauwport, Cape Colony, dated December 16th, says:

"The Boers brought a big gun to bear on the British near Vaar Kop. The British pieces were too small to reach the enemy, and after an intermittent artillery duel General French withdrew under shell fire but without losses to Arundel."

Gen. Gatacre's Proclamation.

STERDSTROOM, CAPE COLONY, December 14.—General Gatacre has issued a proclamation forbidding all persons living on farms to move about the district or to visit Sterkstroom, except on Saturdays, and then only with passes, under pain of summary arrest. It is understood that the proclamation is directed partly for the prevention of the conveyance of news regarding British movements.

LONDON, December 19.—A dispatch to the *Daily Mail* from Frere camp says that the bodies of two of the guides who mislead General Gatacre at Stormberg were found on the battlefield. The men had been shot.

Will Sail Saturday.

LONDON, December 18.—General Lord Roberts and his staff will sail for South Africa on the Dunottar Castle Saturday.

The Queen passed a quiet day at Windsor. She took an airing in the afternoon. It is said her Majesty may leave Windsor for Orsborne, Isle of Wight, December 29th.

The Tugela River Fight.

LONDON, December 18.—A correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, telegraphing from Frere Camp, Natal, December 15th, and describing the Tugela river battle, says:

"The Boers in great force occupied a strong entrenched position, commanding the river and reaching back about eight hundred yards from its further side. General Hart's brigade, on the left, first attempted a crossing under a murderous Nordenfeldt and rifle fire. The Royal Dublin Fusiliers, the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers; the King's Own Scottish Borderers, and the Connaught Rangers crossed with superb and unflinching gallantry, but the position on the other side was found utterly untenable.

"The British suffered heavily from a perfect hail of artillery and shrapnel, while their own artillery was very badly mauled. They were, therefore, obliged to re-cross the river.

"On the right, General Hildyard's brigade, displaying equal heroism, succeeded in entering the village of Colenso, but the sixth battery encountered a murderous fire and was compelled to retire, leaving guns and ammunition wagons on the veldt. This brigade was also obliged to fall back.

"Meanwhile, General Barton's brigade also failed to take possession of Hlangwri hill, as was intended, and the entire force retired on Chievley. General Clery was in command."

A TRUST COMPANY CLOSED ITS DOORS.

Assets Over Eleven Millions—The Officers—Failure Caused by Stringency of the Money Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 18.—The Produce Exchange Trust Company, of this city, closed its doors to day. A notice upon the door says that the company suspended payment pending a readjustment of its affairs.

A statement of the company's condition at the close of business Saturday last shows assets $11,719 500, including syndicate loans of $4,423,500, demand loans $685,000, cash on hand $118,000, cash in Western National Bank $533,000, cash in National City Bank $100,000, cash in First National Bank, Jersey City, $100,000, cash in Standard Bank $269,000.

The Produce Exchange Trust Company was organized a couple of years ago, with a capital of $2,500,000 and had a reported surplus and undivided profits at this time of over $2,000,000. Its business was chiefly with merchants, tradesmen, and corporations in its immediate vicinity, and it was also supposed to do some of the banking business of the Standard Oil Company. It had been designated by the banking department of the State as a legal depository for State moneys and municipal moneys, as well as the funds of the savings banks and State banks. The officers of the company are: President, Turner A. Beall; Vice Presidents, Edwin Gould, Thomas A. McIntyre and S. D. Scudder; Secretary and Treasurer, S. L. Chamberlain; Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, William, Lawn.

The officers of the company declined to see anybody or give anything for publication beyond this supplementary statement that was posted on the doors some time after 11 o'clock."

"The immediate cause of suspension of the company is its inability to convert its securities into cash in time to meet the sudden and abnormal demand made upon it."

Some of the Directors.

BALTIMORE, December 18.—J. William Middendorf, of the firm of Middendorf, Oliver & Company, and H. Irvine Keyser, of this city, are directors in the Produce Exchange Trust Company of New York, as is also J. Skelton Williams, of Richmond, Va., who is president of the Seaboard Air Line.

Mr. Middendorf, speaking of the failure said: "Of course, the news of the failure is most unwelcome, but it will not be so far reaching as some people suppose. The affairs of the concern were recently investigated by an expert and found to be in good condition, hence, I believe the suspension has been brought about by the unsatisfactory state of the money market. The company was interested as a subscriber to the syndicate formed for the financing of the proposed reorganizing of the Seaboard Air Line, but its suspension will in no way impede the progress of that reorganization which is now practically an accomplished fact."

THE SILVER REPUBLICANS.

Leaders in Washington Denounce Currency Bill Adopted by the House of Representatives.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 18.—After the passage to-day by the House of the Financial bill, the Silver Republican leaders in the city held a meeting and adopted an address setting forth their views as to its effect. The address recites the record of the Republican party on the financial question and criticises the new currency bill in the following terms:

"Steps are now being taken to insure that the gold standard shall be 'preserved.' The present bill 'preserves' it with a vengeance. The vast bonded debt of the country, now payable in 'coin,' that is, either in gold or silver, is to be made payable in gold alone. Nearly half a billion of standard silver dollars, heretofore not redeemable in anything, not constituting a burden on either the gold reserve or the credit of the government, but forming a large percentage of our basic money, are hereafter to be redeemable in gold, thus increasing tremendously the strain on that metal and becoming an 'endless chain' with which to pull gold from the treasury, and affording an excuse for the final destruction of the silver dollars as money, and their forced sale as bullion, after the manner of the German procedure in 1872."

Trinity College, Dublin, has conferred the degree of doctor of laws on Jos. Chamberlain, British Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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LEGISLATION FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

Senate Resolutions in Opposition to Retention of the Islands by the United States.

AN ANTI-TRUST RESOLUTION.

Currency Bill Passed the House by a Vote of 190 to 150—Eleven Democrats Voted for the Bill—No Show Given the Minority—Committees.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 18.—What the Senate may accomplish in the way of legislation for the Philippines during the present session is problematical, but that the question will be thoroughly discussed is indicated by the number of resolutions bearing upon it being introduced. In opposition to the retention by the United States of the Philippine islands, two resolutions were introduced to-day, one by Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, and the other by Mr. Bacon, of Georgia. While they differ in phraseology, their intent practically is the same—to yield the islands to a government to be established by the Filipinos themselves. Both Senators gave notice of their intention to address the Senate on their respective resolutions.

Senator Morgan, Alabama, called up his resolution "to prohibit combinations between corporations to control interstate commerce and transportation," and addressed the Senate upon it. Senator Morgan dealt, in beginning, with the legal aspect of trusts, and the difficulty of reaching them through the enactments of State legislatures or of Congress. He regarded the evils called trusts as all included in the combinations of persons to control trade. What an individual could accomplish in trade was regarded as legitimate, but when great corporations were aggregated together to control any given branch of trade or commerce, or transportation, it became evident that the rights of the people were likely to be infringed. It had for years been a serious problem before the law-making power to control these combinations, and upon the solution of that problem would, in his opinion, depend much for the people.

Senator Morgan declared that all the advantages which had been gained by the trusts had been obtained at the expense of the people, and particularly of labor, and "I desire to know" he said "whether this Congress will respond to the almost despairing demand of the people for relief."

Mr. Morgan referred to the control obtained by certain trusts of the coal and iron lands. In his own State of Alabama and of Tennessee, these lands had, he said, passed into the maws of the trusts, but had not passed from under the control of the States. He declared that the legislatures of those States would never consent to the holding of those lands by trusts, and intimated that measures would be taken by the representatives of the people to protect their interests.

The Senate went into executive session at 2:30 P. M. and afterwards adjourned, out of respect to the memory of the late Representative Green of Nebraska.

House of Representatives.

The Currency bill, which was debated all last week, was passed to-day by the House by a vote of 190 to 150. It had the united support of every Republican in the House and of eleven Democrats, Messrs. Clayton, Driggs, Fitzgerald, Levy, Ruppert, Scudder, Underhill, and Wilson, of New York; McAleer, of Pennsylvania; Denny, of Maryland, and Thayer, of Massachusetts.

All the other Democrats voted against the measure or were paired, except Mr. John Walter, governor-elect from Maryland, Mr. Stallings of Alabama, and General Joseph Wheeler of Alabama.

Mr. Stallings, of Alabama, has not been present in the House this session owing to illness and one of his colleagues announced that if present he would have voted in the negative. General Wheeler is serving in the Philippines. Mr. Smith, is therefore, the only member of the House who did not go on record upon the bill to-day. When the Speaker announced the result of the vote, the Republicans cheered lustily. That was the only demonstration in connection with the vote.

Neither a motion to recommit nor an offer of a substitute was in order by the terms of the special rule under which the House was operating.

Mr. Gaines, Tennessee, asked if it was in order to recommit, with instructions to report back a free coinage bill. "It is not," replied the Speaker.

The bill was then read a third time and placed upon its final passage.

"I demand the yeas and nays," said Mr. Overstreet, in charge of the bill.

Members on both sides rose en masse to second the demand. "Evidently a sufficient number," said the Speaker. "The clerk will call the roll."

The roll call was followed with great interest. There were no demonstrations when the Democrats away from majority of their party voted in the affirmative. The clerk called the names of the Democrats who declined to respond twice on each roll call. Every Republican voted for the bill.

After the vote, the Speaker rather unexpectedly announced the committee selections and the reading of the lists was followed with intense eagerness by the members, whose opportunities for distinction depend so largely upon their committee assignments. The only incident in connection with the reading of the lists was Mr. Bailey's interrogatory of the Speaker as to whether General Wheeler's name had been placed upon the committee on nays and means. Speaker Henderson responded in the negative. A vacancy has been left on this committee for General Wheeler.

The announcement of the death of the late Representative Bland, of Missouri, which occurred last Summer, was made by Mr. Dearmond, of Missouri, and the House out of respect to his memory, adjourned until to-morrow at 1.05 P. M.

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COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE.

Announced by Speaker Henderson—Democrats Receive Few Places—North Carolina Appointments.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Speaker Henderson to-day announced the committees of the House of Representatives. It proved to have very few surprises, as the Speaker preserved the time-honored custom of following precedent as to the old members, leaving them in their old chairmanships and places, and gradually advancing them as vacancies occurred. The important new chairmans are those of Mr. Brosius, of Pennsylvania, chairman of banking and currency; Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, chairman of merchant marine and fisheries; Mr. Southard, of Ohio, chairman of coinage, and Mr. Cooper, of Wisconsin, chairman of the newly formed committee on insular affairs. The new members of the way and means committee are McCall and Lon, Republicans; Newlands, Silver, and Cooper, Democrat. Appropriations and foreign affairs also get a considerable amount of new blood. Military affairs has the largest new membership, six Republicans and three Democrats. The membership of the insular committee is notable in being a "committe of chairmen," the heads of ways and means, appropriations, foreign affairs, commerce, postoffices, etc., being represented also on this committee.

The Democratic members receive fewer places than in the last Congress, as the larger Democratic representation in the House compelled a reduction in the numbers of places for each.

North Carolinians on the committees are the following:

Merchant Marine and Fisheries, Small; naval affairs, Kitchin; public buildings and grounds, Thomas; elections, Linney; agriculture, White; railways and canals, Atwater and Bellamy; manufactures, Bellamy and Klutz; pensions, Crawford; District of Columbia, White; revision of laws, Linney; ventilation and acoustics, Atwater; expenditures in department of justice, Linney; expenditures in department of agriculture, Atwater.

SOME BUSINESS FAILURES.

Firm of Stock Brokers in New York. Squire & Co, of Boston—Vogeler Co., a Drug Firm in Baltimore.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 18.—The suspension of the firm of Henry Allen & Company, bankers and brokers, was to day announced on the Stock Exchange. The suspension is attributed to the failure of some of its customers to respond to calls for additional margins, made necessary by recent declines. The house has been known as a trader on rather an extensive scale.

BOSTON, MASS., December 18.—Joseph Squire & Company, 39 North street, assigned to-day to G. W. Fiske & Company, produce commission merchants. Mr. Fiske said that no statement of the firm's condition could be made at this time, but that its liabilities were very small. The assignment was made as a protective measure.

BALTIMORE, December 18.—The Charles A. Vogeler Company, druggists, consisting of Christian Devries and his wife, formerly Mrs. Minnie A. Vogeler, have made a general assignment for the benefit of their creditors. Henry S. Dulancy, who has been for many years the general manager of th ecompany, is the assignee. No statement of assets and liabilities has been made.

LIEUT. THOS. M. BRUMBY.

One of the Heroes of the Battle of Manila Died of Typhoid Fever.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17.—Lieut, Thomas M. Brumby, flag lieutenant to Admiral Dewey during the Manila campaign, who has been ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, died at Garfield Hospital shortly after 6 o'clock this evening.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Navy Department has arranged to give a naval funeral to the remains of late Lieutenant Brumby.

The Westover estate, on the James river, and on which is the most famous colonial mansion in Virginia, has been sold to Mrs. Clarissa H. Harrold, of Santa Paula, Cal. Westover was the original family seat of the Byrds.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided to increase the deposit of cash in the national bank depositaries to the sum of $30,000,000 and possibly $40,000,000 in the banks depositing with the government United States bonds as security.

At 12 o'clock Sunday night Bishop H. M. Turner, at Savannah, Ga., while in counsel with his presiding elders, was prostrated by a slight stroke of paralysis. Yesterday at 4 o'clock a consultation of physicians was held and it was given out that no immediate danger was apprehended.

John Stevens, colored, was acquitted in Macon, Ga., on the charge of assault with intent to murder James Carr, white. Carr with James Kershaw, also white, went into a barroom in which Stevens worked and threatened him. Stevens killed Kershaw and badly wounded Carr. He was tried, convicted of murder, but the third time by direction of the Supreme Court, was acquitted.

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